

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5, 7-11, 13-21, 23-60, 62-66, 68-76, and 78-109 and add new claims 110-127 as follows:

1.-109. (CANCELED)

110. (NEW) A method of processing available content, comprising:
receiving the available content using one or more tuners; and
performing a plurality of operations on the available content received from the one or more tuners, the plurality of operations including:
selecting at least one recorded event from the available content based on thumbnail, preview, or snippet;
tracking a list of recorded programs for duplicates when a record operation is initiated; and
activating a user-identified preference to selectively erase the current recording of a program that is identified as duplicate.

111. (NEW) The method of claim 110, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes selecting at least one recorded event from the available content, based on actor, actress, director, program title, key word, key phrase, tag information, synopsis, release date, critical review, related program, or sequel.

112. (NEW) The method of claim 111, wherein selecting at least one recorded event is achieved by a user browsing through information related to the available content stored on at least one storage medium.

113. (NEW) The method of claim 112, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying characteristics of the selected program to record with a best match in the at least one storage medium for comparison by a user.

114. (NEW) The method of claim 110, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying a status of a program from the available content, wherein a user is currently viewing the program.

115. (NEW) The method of claim 114, wherein the status includes at least one of: a current delay, a status indicator, an available record time, a storage medium capacity, and an out-of-space alert.

116. (NEW) The method of claim 115, wherein the current delay allows the user to see a delay between the record operation and a live feed of the content.

117. (NEW) The method of claim 110, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes permitting a user to rewind recording in an increment for playback of a portion of the available content.

118. (NEW) The method of claim 110, further comprising creating a personalized database from the available content.

119. (NEW) An apparatus for processing available content, comprising:
one or more tuners for receiving the available content; and
a control unit for performing a plurality of operations on the available content received from the one or more tuners, wherein the plurality of operations includes:
selecting at least one recorded event from the available content, based on thumbnail, preview, or snippet;
tracking a list of recorded programs for duplicates when a record operation is initiated; and
activating a user-identified preference to selectively erase the current recording of a program that is identified as duplicate.

120. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes selecting at least one recorded event from the available content, based on actor, actress, director, program title, key word, key phrase, tag information, synopsis, release date, critical review, related program, or sequel.

121. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 120, wherein selecting at least one recorded event is achieved by a user browsing through information related to the available content stored on at least one storage medium.

122. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 121, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying characteristics of the selected program to record with a best match in the at least one storage medium for comparison by a user.

123. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes displaying a status of a program from the available content, wherein a user is currently viewing the program.

124. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 123, wherein the status includes at least one of: a current delay, a status indicator, an available record time, a storage medium capacity, and an out-of-space alert.

125. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 124, wherein the current delay allows the user to see a delay between the record operation and a live feed of the content.

126. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 119, wherein performing a plurality of operations includes permitting a user to rewind recording in an increment for playback of a portion of the available content.

127. (NEW) The apparatus of claim 119, further comprising creating a personalized database from the available content.